

ORDINANCE NO. 2000-53-CM

**PROHIBITING POSSESSION OF DEADLY WEAPONS IN
THE TIPPECANOE COUNTY COURTHOUSE,
TIPPECANOE COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING, TIPPECANOE VILLA,
CARY HOME AND THE 629 NORTH 6th STREET BUILDING.**

WHEREAS, the possession of deadly weapons in the Tippecanoe County Courthouse, Tippecanoe County Office Building, Tippecanoe Villa, Cary Home, the 629 North 6th Street Building or the Tippecanoe County Highway Garage by persons other than judicial officers or law enforcement personnel on active duty creates a risk to public safety;

NOW THEREFORE be it **ORDAINED**, as follows:

1. This Ordinance does not apply to:
 - A. Judicial officers or law enforcement personnel on active duty; or
 - B. The lawful possession of firearms or other deadly weapons by Tippecanoe County officers or employees or persons under contract with Tippecanoe County, for lawful purposes connected with their office, employment or contract with Tippecanoe County.
2. No person shall possess a deadly weapon in the Tippecanoe County Courthouse, Tippecanoe County Office Building, Tippecanoe Villa, Cary Home, the 629 North 6th Street Building or the Tippecanoe County Highway Garage.
3. "Deadly weapon" is defined as follows:
 - A. A loaded or unloaded firearm,
 - B. A weapon, device, instrument, material, or substance, animate or inanimate, that is used for, or is readily capable of, causing death or serious bodily injury, except that such term does not include a pocket knife with a blade of less than 2½ inches in length.
4. The penalty for violation of this Ordinance shall be a fine not to exceed Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500).
5. The Tippecanoe County Sheriff and all other law enforcement officers may detain persons whom they have reason to believe possess such deadly weapons in violation of this Ordinance long enough to obtain proper name, address, date of birth, and social security number, and to seize such deadly weapon.
6. The Tippecanoe County Sheriff and all other law enforcement officers may seize any deadly weapon possessed in violation of this Ordinance. All seized deadly weapons shall be held by the Sheriff's Department until further order of the court, after a hearing on the proper disposition of the weapon pursuant to IC 35-47-2-7, 35-47-3-2, 35-47-3-2, 35-47-3-3 and 35-47-4-1.
7. This Ordinance shall be effective on the date of its second publication.

Authority: IC 35-47-11-2(1); IC 36-1-3-8(a)(10)(B).

PASSED and **ADOPTED** this _____ day of _____, 2000.

Presented to the Board of Commissioners of Tippecanoe County, Indiana, and read for the first time, and approved on first reading this 6th day of July, 2000, by the following vote:

VOTE

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
TIPPECANOE COUNTY

Ruth Shedd	Yes	<hr/> Ruth Shedd, President
John Knochel	Yes	<hr/> John Knochel, Vice President
Kathleen Hudson	Yes	<hr/> Kathleen Hudson, Member

ATTEST:

Robert A. Plantenga, Auditor Tippecanoe County

Presented to the Board of Commissioners of Tippecanoe County, Indiana, and read in full for the second time, and adopted this 18th day of September, 2000, by the following vote:

	VOTE	BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF TIPPECANOE COUNTY
Ruth Shedd	Yes	<hr/> Ruth Shedd, President
John Knochel	Yes	<hr/> John Knochel, Vice President
Kathleen Hudson	Yes	<hr/> Kathleen Hudson, Member

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